

Iron County Register

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IRONTON, MISSOURI

The last of the \$5,000,000 world's fair souvenir half dollars was struck off at the Philadelphia mint on the 30th.

COMMANDER WHITING, of the United States navy, admits that the report of his engagement to Miss Ah Fong, of Honolulu, is correct.

SIMON W. LAMONTE, commissioner of the general land office, took the oath of office, on the 28th, and entered upon the discharge of his duties.

GEN. E. KIRBY SMITH, since 1875 professor of mathematics in the university of the South, died at Sewanee, Tenn., on the 27th. He was born in St. Augustine, Fla., May 16, 1824.

The funeral of the late Elliott F. Shepard took place from the Fifth-avenue Presbyterian church in New York on the 28th. The church was crowded beyond its seating capacity.

It has been decided by the state department not to permit the original draft of the declaration of independence and the constitution of the United States to be placed upon exhibition at the Columbian exposition.

The Philadelphia & Reading Co. has shipped its Columbian exhibit to Chicago, consisting of 163 boxes of coal, made up of all varieties mined, and a collection of tools and implements used by miners in digging coal.

The department of agriculture made another shipment, on the 28th, of specimens for exhibition at the World's fair, and Assistant Secretary Willett says the department's exhibit will be complete by the 1st of May.

The annual meeting of the American Bell Telephone Co., was held at the company's offices in Boston on the 28th. The annual report shows net earnings of \$3,411,674, against \$3,126,819 the previous year, and \$2,869,418 in 1890.

The funeral services over the remains of Baron de Andrada, the special Brazilian envoy, who died in Washington, on the 25th, from a stroke of apoplexy, were held at St. Matthew's church, in that city, on the 28th.

ASKED what he would do with reference to the states prepared by congressmen for the appointment of federal officers within their several districts President Cleveland is credited with saying: "I will smash them!"

The Austrian war office has accepted the bullet-proof cloth invented by Herr Sillander, engineer, resident in Paris. The cloth is a third of an inch thick, and is said to be much more pliable than that invented by the tailor Dowe, in Mannheim, Germany.

BUSINESS failures occurring throughout the country during the seven days ended on the 31st numbered, for the United States, 166, and for Canada 28; a total of 194, as compared with 240 for the previous week, and 216 for the corresponding week of last year.

The funeral of Gen. Edmond Kirby Smith, the last of the full generals of the confederacy, took place at Sewanee, Tenn., on the 31st. The religious services were conducted according to the Episcopal ritual, of which church the deceased general was a member.

In view of the disquieting reports of the reappearance of cholera in India, it is reassuring to know that the United States government is prepared for any ordinary emergency that may arise, and that its sanitary officers are not alarmed, but vigilant.

The members of the French ministry, on the 30th, constraining an adverse vote in the chamber of deputies on the budget bill as an expression of want of confidence in the government, resigned in a body. M. Develle was asked by President Carnot to form a new cabinet.

The committee to whom was referred the application of Mrs. Ellen S. Mussey, widow of the late Gen. F. D. Mussey, of Ohio, for admission to the District of Columbia bar, having made a favorable report, the court in general term, on the 29th, admitted Mrs. Mussey to practice.

To a few congressmen who have talked with him on the subject Mr. Cleveland has intimated that he will call an extra session of congress to dispose of the tariff question. No definite time has been set, but it is said the session will begin in September or October.

A DETACHMENT of Haytian revolutionists has crossed from San Domingo and invaded Hayti. Manifest fears that the unauthorized invasion may seriously interfere with his plans, as Hippolyte, having knowledge of the plans to overthrow him, may be able to successfully resist the attempt.

LATIMER, the recaptured double murderer, is living on bread and water now. The solitary cell in the Jackson (Mich.) penitentiary, in which he is confined is smaller than the regular size, and contains nothing but a straw mattress on the floor. No one but the chaplain is allowed to talk with him.

CLEARINGHOUSE returns for seventy-five principal cities of the United States, as reported by Bradstreet's, for the week ended on the 31st, aggregated \$1,059,893,539, of which New York shows \$605,498,437, Boston, \$84,788,279, Chicago, \$83,052,208; Philadelphia, \$66,877,587, and St. Louis, \$23,175,349.

THUNDEROUS fighting marked the progress of the war in Honduras. A recent battle near Talambula resulted in the defeat of the government troops, with a loss of more than 100 men killed, while nearly fifty of the revolutionary soldiers were slaughtered. After the battle the bodies of all the dead men found on the field were collected in a heap and burned.

A THIRTY-ONE CORRED champagne bottle was picked up at Ocean View, Va., on the 28th, containing a letter dated from the White Star line freighter "John Olsen, Cattleman." The writer stated that the vessel had been struck by an immense iceberg, and was sinking. One boat which had put off had gone to the bottom with its living aboard, and a similar fate awaited all who were on board, as no boat could possibly live in the storm then raging.

NEWS AND NOTES.

A Summary of Important Events.

FIFTY-SECOND CONGRESS.

In the senate, on the 27th, majority reports were made by Mr. Hoar in favor of admission to their seats of three senators appointed by the governors of Montana, Wyoming and Washington, and soon after the senate proceeded to executive business.

In the senate, on the 28th, the resolutions for the election of officers of the senate, W. E. Cox, of North Carolina, as secretary; Richard D. Bright, of Indiana, as sergeant-at-arms, and Rev. Mr. Milburn as chaplain, coupled with conditions that they shall not enter upon the discharge of their duties until the 30th of June, up to which time the present incumbents are to remain in office, were offered and went over for one day. The case of Senator Roach, of North Dakota, was brought before the senate in the shape of a resolution offered by Mr. Hoar directing the committee on privileges and elections to investigate the allegations of criminal embezzlement and to report the facts and what is the duty of the senate thereon. This resolution also went over, the senate adjourning after a session of only thirty-five minutes.

In the senate, on the 29th, the report of the committee on privileges and elections, in favor of the three senators appointed by the governors of the states of Montana, Wyoming and Washington, was taken up, and the discussion which followed indicated concurrence with the views of the minority of the committee adverse to the admission of the three senators. The question went over the senate soon after going into executive session.

In the senate, on the 30th, the session was devoted almost wholly to the debate on the question of admission of senators appointed by the governors of the states of Montana, Wyoming and Washington, after the rejection of the states had been made without making any report of the committee, which favors admission, but confessed in the close of his speech, that the vote was cast and the majority report would be adopted. The senate then went into secret session.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

MONTREAL, Can., was visited, on the night of the 27th, by another disastrous fire, and for the fourth time in its existence the Daily Herald was completely burned out. The second floor was occupied by the Benckhoff Lithographing Co., and Southern & Carey, printers. This building was burned to the ground. The total loss will reach \$130,000, of which the Herald loses about \$40,000; insurance about \$60,000.

REV. DR. RICHARD GANTER, rector of St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal church in Akron, O., died on the morning of the 27th, after an illness of many months. He had been for twenty-three years rector of St. Paul's church, and had long been one of the most prominent clergymen of the Episcopal church in the west.

The revival meetings at English, Ind., are the most successful ever known in that section. Many persons stop business to attend, and the membership of all denominations has been greatly increased. Sixty persons were baptized, and the order of the stream near that place on the 26th.

GEORGE H. GALT, one of the best-known men in the art world of New York, died suddenly in his studio in that city on the night of the 27th. He was English by birth, but had dwelt in New York for many years.

FERNAND J. THURM, the man who is charged with one of the biggest schemes to defraud an insurance company on record, appeared before Justice Merrill, of Oshkosh, Wis., on the 28th, for a preliminary examination, but the hearing was postponed to give more time for investigation by the attorneys.

PETER W. PERSON, a wealthy livestock man of South Omaha, Neb., who was living apart from his wife, was found dead in a bed in his office on the morning of the 28th, with a bullet wound in the back. Murder had evidently been committed with a club found on the premises.

PRINCE BISMARCK, the famous "Iron Chancellor" of the German empire, is very near death, according to a private telegram received in New York on the 28th. The person who received the news is Dr. Emil Dorn, who was for many years an aid-de-camp on Count von Moltke's staff.

REV. JAMES HILL, Baptist minister at Cascade, Ia., has received from the board of the American Baptist Convention, awarded by the secretary for distinguished conduct at the battle of Champion Hill, before Vicksburg. Mr. Hill was at that time first lieutenant of Co. I, Twenty-first Iowa infantry, and the act was the capturing of three Confederate pickets single-handed and bringing them into camp.

JAMES WHITCOMB RILEY, the poet, is superstitious. Upon his arrival at a Baltimore hotel, the other night, the clerk gave a key to the bell-boy and told him to show the poet No. 5, one of the best rooms in the house. "What?" exclaimed Mr. Riley, as he sharply eyed the bell-boy. "A cross-eyed coon to show me to room No. 13. Well, not to-night." He was given a room with a number more to his liking.

MARYA HILL, who for years boasted that she would come back after death and demonstrate the truths of spiritualism, was stricken with apoplexy at her home in Brooklyn, N. Y., on the night of the 27th, and died before medical aid could reach her. Miss Hill was 69 years old.

The captain of a cattle steambot sailing from Liverpool, marooned nine American stowaways at Capel Island, off the Irish coast, recently, which is uninhabited. They were rescued by the crew of a fishing boat and conveyed to the neighboring headland of Knockadoon, whence they proceeded to Kneekstown.

FRANK NICOLIS, the big mill owner at Jordan, Minn., has made an assignment for the benefit of his creditors. The assets and liabilities can not be ascertained. Careful estimates, which include 100,000 bushels of stored wheat, make the liabilities about \$120,000. The assets will be about \$70,000.

The cholera scare is back again. A train load of 130 immigrants was stopped at Windsor, Ont., on the 28th, upon orders from Washington. Dr. Duffield refused them entrance into Detroit until satisfactory evidence was furnished that they had undergone a proper disinfection.

A fire broke out at Afton, Ia., on the morning of the 28th, destroyed a half block of the business portion of the city, causing a loss of thousands of dollars. This is the second conflagration within a few weeks, both fires destroying about \$50,000 worth of property.

SEVENTY-FIVE CORRED-makers employed at the Worthington pump works at Elizabeth, N. J., struck, on the 29th, on account of the firm's refusal to discharge a non-union man who had been employed at the foundry for two weeks.

A TYPEWRITER company with a capital of \$20,000,000 has been formed in Trenton, N. J.

CHARLES TONES, local manager for the American Preserves Co. of Buffalo, N. Y., has disappeared, leaving a letter stating that he is a defaulter. The amount of his shortage is placed at somewhere between \$10,000 and \$20,000.

On the 29th, St. Barnabas' Protestant Episcopal church, of Baltimore, Md., was entirely destroyed by fire. The rector, Rev. Joseph F. Fletcher, says the loss will be about \$60,000.

The first official act of Judge Scruggs, of Memphis, Tenn., who succeeded Judge Dubose, impeached, was to dismiss the case of Little Johnson, charged with being an accomplice of Alice Mitchell in the killing of Freda Ward.

JOSEPH SUTTER was arrested in St. Paul, Minn., on the 29th, for asking a passer-by for twenty-five cents to get a meal. When searched there were found upon his person certificates of deposit in a New York bank for \$30,000, a bank book showing an open account of \$1,500, patent papers for a motor and a greasy old wallet containing \$184. He is 60 years of age.

CHOLERA has again made its appearance in St. Petersburg, and, although the epidemic is not so severe as that of repression and withholding all information from the public, it is known that fatal cases are of daily occurrence. On the 30th Gov. Pattison of Pennsylvania signed the pardons of Abe Buzard, the Lancaster outlaw, and James S. Dungan, the captain of the bank of American Philadelphia, one of the wreckers of that institution.

The annual report of the Freeman's Journal, published in Dublin, shows losses in the last year of \$15,000, whereas before the split in the Irish party the annual profit was \$18,000.

EX-SECRETARY BAYARD's nomination as ambassador to Great Britain was promptly confirmed by the Senate in executive session, on the 30th, without the formality of a reference to committee.

The trunks and dresses recently seized from Miss E. Lorden and Miss N. Sheehan, of Chicago, and Miss M. Ward, of St. Louis, by the customs officers at New York, on the ground that they were being smuggled, were unofficially released to their owners by the customs officers, on the 30th, as their value was less than \$1,000.

THE fishing schooner Ada K. Damon arrived at Provincetown, Mass., on the 30th, with her flag at half-mast. Capt. Vera reports that on the 28th he had four dorries, each with a crew of six, southeast of Highland light, when a snowstorm set in. One dory succeeded in finding the vessel, but the other three, containing six men, were lost.

TEN TIGUAND people thronged the streets of Anderson, Ind., on the night of the 30th, and viewed the destruction of the Doozer opera house, which caught fire in the stage scenery, and in a few minutes the whole building was in flames. The building was erected in 1885 at a cost of \$50,000, and was one of the finest theaters in the state.

TURKEY is not much doer that the national guard of Pennsylvania will encamp at Chicago during the World's fair, the usual summer encampment at Mount Gettys being abandoned and the trip to Chicago taken instead.

It is said that the steamer Haytian Republic has smuggled ten tons of opium through the port of Tacoma, Wash., during the past few months, under the eyes and by the collusion of custom house officials.

A CERTIFICATE of incorporation of the American National Cooperation Co. has been filed with the secretary of state of New Jersey with a capital of \$4,000,000.

MR. F. X. HOOPER, of Baltimore, Md., has invented a rotary printing press which prints two colors at once from a single block of type.

ADMIRAL GHERARDI, with the Philadelphia, Baltimore, Yorktown, Vesuvius and Cushing, arrived at Fort Monroe, Va., on the 31st.

COMPLAINTS of very dry weather are reported from all parts of Cuba and the West Indies, many are dying from the scarcity of water.

MRS. MCKENZIE, widow of the late Alexander McKenzie, ex-premier of Canada, died in Toronto, Ont., on the 31st.

THERE were 154 New York policemen on the sick list on the 31st.

LATE NEWS ITEMS.

The steamer Newport, from Colon, which arrived at New York on the 1st, brought as passengers eighteen Bolivian Indians for the World's fair at Chicago, under the charge of Senor Sirocco of La Paz, Bolivia. These natives of South America are the first of their kind who have visited the United States. Among them is Jose Santos Manani, who is 9 feet 10 inches in height, 25 years of age, and weighs 415 lbs.

On the 1st Inter-state Commerce Commissioners Knapp, Morrison and Clements, and several stenographers left Washington for Charleston, W. Va., where inequalities in rates will be investigated. The commissioners will cover the southern route before returning to Washington.

MISS EFFIE CLARK, of Spokane, Wash., a member of the Northwest university freshmen class at Evanston, Ill., was shot and instantly killed, on the 1st, by F. Ross Smith, who then fatally shot himself. The cause of the tragedy was Miss Clark's rejection of Smith as a suitor.

NEARLY 6,000 immigrants arrived at the port of New York by the steamships which arrived on the afternoon of the 31st and the morning of the 1st. This is the largest number since last October, when the cholera was brought over from Hamburg.

SECRETARY MORTON of the department of agriculture has appointed Edward Sheldon, of Nebraska, western agent of the bureau of animal industry, vice M. Dickell, of Nebraska.

THERE were 1,149 deaths in New York city for the week ended on the 1st, against 1,135 for the previous week. There were 273 deaths from pneumonia and 14 from grippe.

HEZ BERNARD, violinist at Bonn will be inaugurated with a festival lasting from the 10th to the 15th of May. Several of the greatest German musicians will take part.

KOZALSKI, the piano prodigy, has given a series of recitals in Berlin. His performance was largely attended. Next winter he will make a tour of the United States.

CONOR FRAOCH, editor-in-chief and principal owner of the Printing Bulletin, of Philadelphia, died suddenly, on the 1st, of heart failure.

EMERSON WILLIAMS has given his consent to the proposal that the whole of the Imperial opera shall appear in London in 1894.

This third session of the seventh Dominion parliament was prorogued on the 1st.

MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

Of Interest to Farmers and Dairymen.

The following has been received from Hon. Levi Chubbuck, secretary State Dairy association, Columbia, Mo.:

The Missouri State Dairy association is trying to secure an exhibit of dairy products for the World's fair. This is desired as a means of demonstrating to the world that Missouri is a good dairy state, and that the natural conditions for dairymen are not surpassed. If, indeed, they are equal in any other state in the union, and, properly developed and followed, there is no line of agriculture that will be more valuable to a farming community than this. It yields a regular income, gives constant employment, affords scope for the exercise of great skill and intelligence, can be carried on extensively, or by the small farmer, and, rightly managed, it is profitable.

Space has been secured by Executive Commissioner Gwynn of the Missouri World's fair board, and he is depending on the State Dairy association to fill it.

There will be five classes of dairy: Dairy made from mixed herd; dairy from one breed; creamery, from separated cream from mixed herd, and creamery from gathered cream; also, five classes of cheese. There will be four distinct exhibits, between the 1st and 10th of June, July, September and October.

We appeal to the private dairymen and women and managers of butter and cheese factories to help make such an exhibit as will show that Missouri can do it in this line, and by this means greatly stimulate the dairy industry.

Exhibitors will be no expense for carriage, cold storage or care of products while on exhibition. Instructions and entry blanks will be sent on application to Levi Chubbuck, secretary State Dairy association.

Signed by the Governor.

The governor has signed the following bill, which will be in the hands of the adjutant-general of the legislature:

Allowing guardians of insane persons to loan money of their wards, with approved security.

Authorizing drainage districts in counties having swamp lands.

Providing for recording notes which represent the purchase of canceled notes.

Providing for the organization of levee districts in southeast Missouri.

Authorizing the treasurer to furnish the assessor annually with a list of the property of estates subject to taxation.

Investing the salary of the chaplain of the Missouri penitentiary from \$500 to \$1,200 per year.

Changing the time of holding court in the nineteenth judicial circuit.

Providing for the reduction of the state exhibits at the World's fair.

Leveled on the Wrong Property.

A complicated suit in equity was filed the other day in the office of the circuit clerk of Pettis county.

It is said that Morris, lands to secure from Milo Brown, tract of land valued at \$2,000, which was lost by the plaintiff in a peculiar way. In 1891 judgment in a suit was secured by Milo Brown, against Morris, also named Chastine. The sheriff levied upon what was supposed to be the son's property.

A MYSTERY SHOT.

A mysterious tragedy was enacted at Swine Hill, a suburb of Joplin, the other day.

An AMERICAN, aged 12 years, while running across an open common, was observed to fall by the engineer at a mining plant. The engineer supposed that he had stumbled, and went and looked into the matter. The boy's side by a stranger. Examination disclosed a bullet-hole in the lad's right temple and blood on his face. He was conscious and asked to be taken home. He lived about three hours, but could not tell who shot him.

THE CENTRAL RAILWAY AND TERMINAL CO. of St. Joseph has been elected an association with the secretary of state, and a charter was issued thereon.

The capital stock is \$3,000,000. The object in view is to construct a standard gauge railroad from St. Joseph to the mouth of the Missouri river, and from the latter place to the Missouri river bridge in Ray county, known as Shibley's bridge. The length of the road is 129 miles, and it will pass through the following counties: Daviess, Gentry, Dekalb, Anderson, Buchanan, Platte, Clay, Clinton, Ray.

Released and Restored.

Gov. Stone issued two pardons the other day.

One was to Samuel Whitaker, who was serving a 2-year sentence for grand larceny. He was arrested immediately upon his release, and taken to the county jail for trial on another and more serious charge. The other C. P. Sullivan, of St. Louis, was also serving a 2-year sentence for grand larceny. He is in the last stages of consumption, and his pardon was recommended by the prison physician.

A CHILD POISONED.

Raymond, the 7-year-old son of Richard S. Yost, of Sedalia, died from the effects of eating a poisonous substance.

About ten days ago the little boy ate a quantity of canned plums, which had been preserved by his mother, and afterwards drank a glass of milk. The result was that he was stricken with a poison that resulted in his death.

Two Much Whisky.

James Burnes, an employe on the construction of the Kansas, Pittsburgh & Gulf railroad, drank nearly half a gallon of whisky at Nevada, and soon died from the effect of the poison.

A Building and Loan League.

Representatives of many building and loan associations throughout the state met at Sedalia and organized a state league the other day.

Charged with Passing Counterfeits.

At Wilson's Store, 10 miles west of Ozark, two men named Gordon and Blevins were arrested the other day for passing counterfeit money.

Death of an Aged Citizen.

William Foster, aged 60, an old and widely-known citizen, died in Kansas City of pneumonia. He started the first book-store in the town.

A Bad Fire.

Fire at Kansas City the other morning destroyed the plant of the Campbell Glass and Paint Co. Loss, \$100,000; insurance, \$50,000.

Invented a Flying Machine.

A Clinton man has patented an air ship. It is stated that the inventor will exhibit his machine in the Kansas City exposition building.

Candidate for a Good Office.

Clarence L. Hobbittslee is a candidate for excise commissioner of St. Louis, and rumor says he will be appointed by the governor.

NEW LAWS.

The Principal Acts of the Missouri Legislature at its Recent Session—Those that have Received the Signature of the Governor and Those Still in His Hands.

Secretary of State Lesueur has made a complete list of the bills passed by the recent general assembly and approved by the governor, and also a list of those still in hands of the governor and not yet acted upon. Following are some of the most important:

APPROVED.

Penalty for fraud and misrepresentation on the part of nurserymen and fruit tree dealers. Express companies—regulating their charges, etc.

Farmers' tornado insurance companies—extending the territory of their operations. Providing for the consolidation of cities.

Creating the office of excise commissioner in certain cities.

Eleventh Judicial Circuit—changing time of holding court.

Trespass—section 875 amended—treble damages recovered, when.

"St. Francis Levee District of Missouri" created.

Requiring business corporations to report to secretary of state.

"Trade Marks"—revising the statutes of 1890 in relation thereto.

Prohibiting the sale and providing penalty for adulteration.

Requiring corporations to maintain general books of account.

"Schools," providing for change of boundary lines in districts under special charters.

Requiring school boards to be appointed where grade is inspected, etc.

To vote upon restraining animals from running at large.

Protecting employes in relation to labor organizations.

Changing times of court in Nineteenth circuit.

Commissioners of public printing to include state treasurer.

Requiring money paid to penal and eleemosynary institutions to be transmitted to the state treasurer.

Requiring directors of public hospitals.

Taxation of express companies.

Providing for pensions for disabled firemen, etc.

Eighteenth circuit—changing time of holding court.

Guardians authorized to loan money of insane persons to the company, or to reduce his loss or damage by reason of his failure to take out or maintain other insurance.

Changing the time of holding courts in Twentieth judicial circuit.

Reducing minimum rate of interest on school loans to 10 per cent.

Requiring county clerks to certify election returns by precincts.

Increasing the penalty for violation of gaming laws.

Requiring physicians to report births and deaths.

Passed and in Governor's Hands.

Requiring real estate owners to file with the county clerk a complete list of all road tools and implements belonging to their respective districts, and to keep them in good repair, and to use them under the public roads, and to provide for the repair of the same.

Requiring the county clerk to file with the county clerk a complete list of all road tools and implements belonging to their respective districts, and to keep them in good repair, and to use them under the public roads, and to provide for the repair of the same.

Duty of recorder as to notes secured by deeds of trust.

Secretary of state to call house to order.

Prohibiting judges of election from entering the booth to assist voter in preparing ballot.

To provide for a topographical survey of the swamp and overflowed lands in southeast Missouri and to appropriate money therefor.

Changing the time of holding court in the Tenth judicial circuit.

Prevent corrupt practices in elections, to the effect of candidates to prescribe the duties of candidates and political committees and provide penalties for violation of this.

The corrupt practices General Olney has been explained. The grand jury was about to find true bills against two officials of the bank in addition to the one named Redwine.

There is now nearly \$400,000 in the bank's vaults, collected since the bank closed. This amount, with other assets, would enable the depositors to get dollar for dollar if the business was properly managed. The indictment of any more bank officials would have imperiled the bank's business financially.

The re-opening of the bank would have been impossible. This would work great injury to the depositors.

THE ESCHERICHES WIN.

Final Decision in the Evangelical Church War in the Illinois Supreme Court.

OTTAWA, Ill., April 1.—The decision of Judge Shepard in the church case of Schwickler vs. Husser was affirmed by the supreme court. This practically settles the Evangelical war which has been going on for several years in Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania and other states.

Schwicker belongs to the Dubbs faction and Husser to the Escheriches. Both have been trying to secure the Noble Street church, Chicago. The Escheriches, under Bishop Escher and Bowman, who succeeded from the Illinois conference in 1890, have won a decided victory in this case, and the loss of the church would be a severe blow to the Escheriches, who have no doubt be settled in the same manner.

Electric Light Plant Burned.

McKEESPORT, Pa., April 1.—At 3 a. m. the McKeesport Electric Light Co.'s plant caught fire and was totally destroyed. The loss will be from \$75,000 to \$100,000. The blaze was ignited by a torch in the